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Enclosed are the following documents:

1. Form PTO-1449 (3 pages);
2. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (5 pages);
3. Transmittal Letter (1 page)
4. Cited Art (50); and
5. Return Postcard.

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is:

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- ☒ Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(b); no fee or certification is required:
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 - ☐ Within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application;
 - ☒ Before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits; or
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Content of the Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the reference(s) listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

Applicant includes copies of references as indicated below:

- ☒ A copy of each cited reference not indicated with an asterisk is included;
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Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application:

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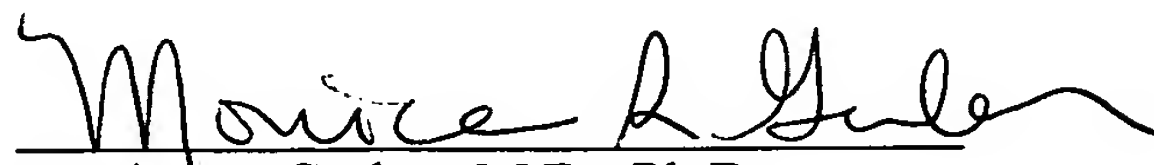
1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
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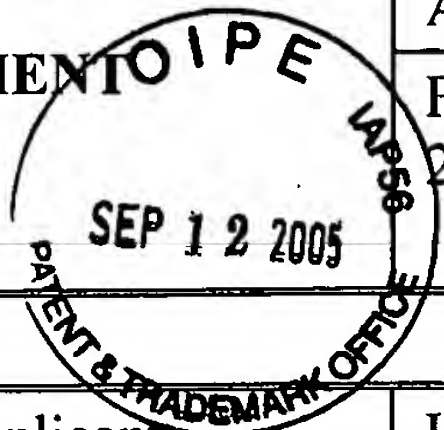
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